Paper Quota to Bihar

1890. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have fixed any paper quota for allocation to States and Union Territories for manufacturing note books and writing material;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) the quantity of paper allocated to Bihar during the last three years;

(d) whether Government propose to enhance the quota of paper to Bihar in the near future; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CURTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) to (e) Till 31st March, 1990, there was a scheme for subsidised supply of White Printing Paper for the production of school textbooks and exercise books. The scheme was discontinued thereafter as a matter of overall general fiscal policy.

The quantity of paper allotted to Bihar during the period 1987-88 to 1989-90 was 16,436 MTs.

Navodaya Vidyalaya for Urdu Medium Students in Delhi

1891. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what measure have been taken to safeguard the interests of Urdu medium students; and

(b) whether Government propose to establish one Navodaya School exclusively for Urdu medium students in Delhi ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) Navodaya Vidyalayas follow the three language formula. Urdu is the medium of instruction in 9 Navodaya Vidyalayas of Jammu and Kashmir and is also taught as the third lauguage in 9 Vidyalayas of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Bihar.

(b) No, Sir.

Terminilogy for Promotion of Urdu

1892. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELORMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that Bureau for Promotion of Urdu had initiated work on preparing Terminology for Urdu Journalism;

(b) if so, what is the progress made in this regard; and

(c) by when it is expected to be completed ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CURTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A Committee of Experts has been constituted to finalize the technical terms relating to Urdu Journalism. At present the work is at a preliminary stage.

(c) The Committee is expected to complete the work within a period of about 3 years.

Purchase of Urdu Medium Books from Private Publisher

1893. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Municipal Corporation, Delhi prefers a private publisher to NCERT in respect of Urdu medium text books for classes I to V;

(b) whether it is a fact that the NCERT text books are far superior to the text books published by the private publisher from whom the books of Urdu language and medium are being purchased;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the MCD purchases Hindi language and medium text books from NCERT, while

it selectively purchases some Urdu books from some private publisher, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that the text books of private publisher have been purchased by the MCD in such a large number that they will suffice, for a couple of years more ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) to (c) According to M.C.D., they purchase Hindi language and medium Text books from Delhi Bureau of Text Books, while English language and medium books are purchased from NCERT. Urdu medium books are purchased from agencies which publish books as per prescribed syllabus. However, (Riazi) Ganit Part I is purchased from NCERT which has published this book, and other Urdu medium books for classes II—V from M/s Maktaba Jamia Ltd. who publishes these books as per syllabus of M.C.D. at prices decided by Delhi Bureau of Text Books. M/s Central Book Depot supplies "Urdu Ka Buniyadi Kayda" Part I & II because M/s Maktaba Jamia Ltd. and NCERT do not publish Buniyadi Kaydas. The M.C.D. primary schools distribute books as prescribed by Delhi Bureau of Text Books which is an autonomous body under Delhi Administration.

(d) No, Sir. The M.C.D. purchase text books as per actual demand.

Provision of Course Books for Delhi Students

1894. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Department of Education, Delhi Administration provides course books to the students of the schools;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Department has provided funds to the schools for purchase of Hindi books; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the students could not be provided Urdu books during 1991-92, and if so, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF CURTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a) Delhi Bureau of Text Books an autonomous body under the Delhi Administration publishes Hindi Medium books for Classes I to VIII which are distributed through whole sellers/retailers.

(b) Delhi Administration releases library grants for the purchase of books of different languages and subjects including Hindi.

(c) Delhi Administration has intimated that there is no complanit regarding non-receipt of Urdu books during the academic session 1991-92.

Dr. Zakir Hussain Memorial School Jafrabad

1895. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMEN be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Dr. Zakir Hussain Memorial School, Jafrabad, Delhi under Delhi Administration has been allowed to open eight sections only;

(b) whether it is also a fact that at present there are about 675 students in the school for which there should be 18 sections whereas the school has been functioning with 14 sections since 1985; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for granting permission to this school to have just eight sections ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN TH MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURC DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OI EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT C CURTURE) (KUMARI SELJA) : (a Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir, but the enrolment of students is 655.

(c) Delhi Administration has intimate that the post fixation of sections for variou aided schools including Dr. Zakir Hussai Memorial School is under process for r moval of anomaly in this respect.